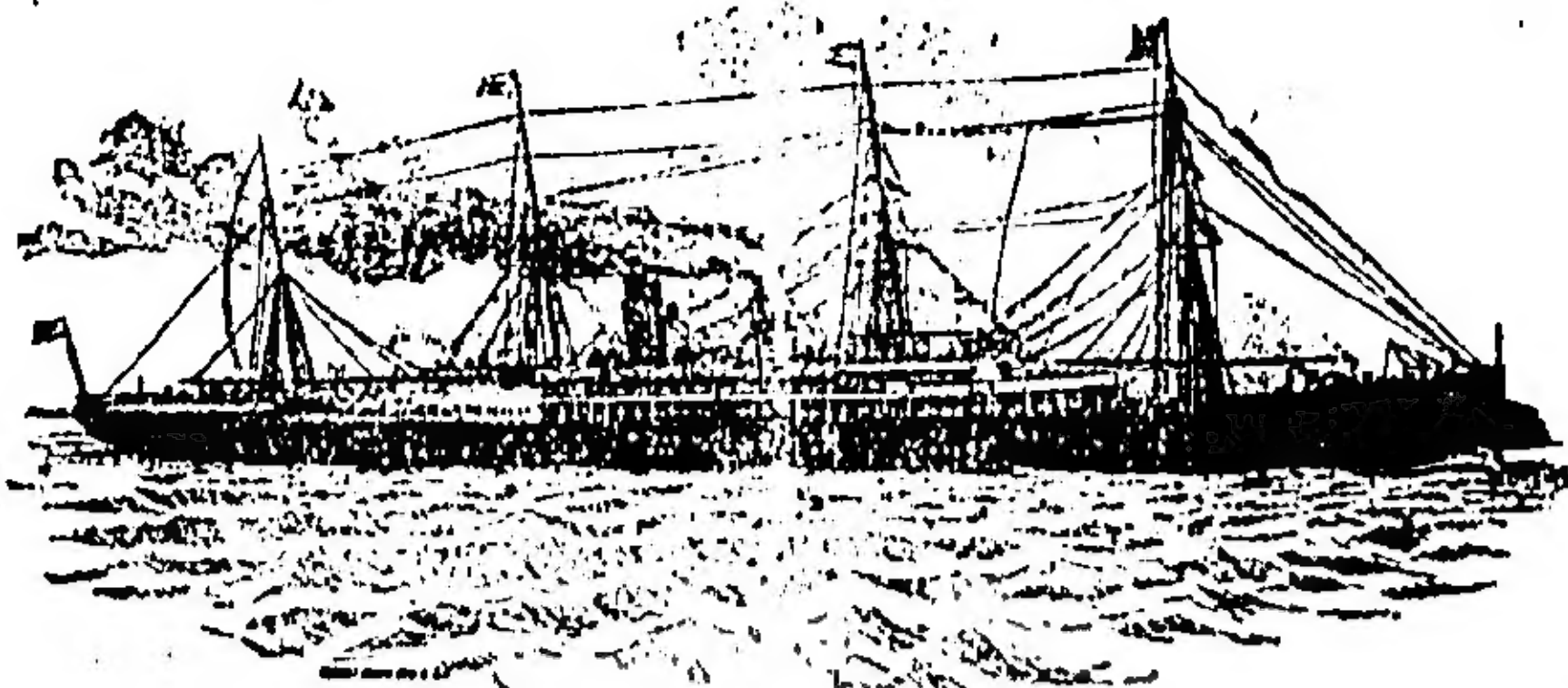


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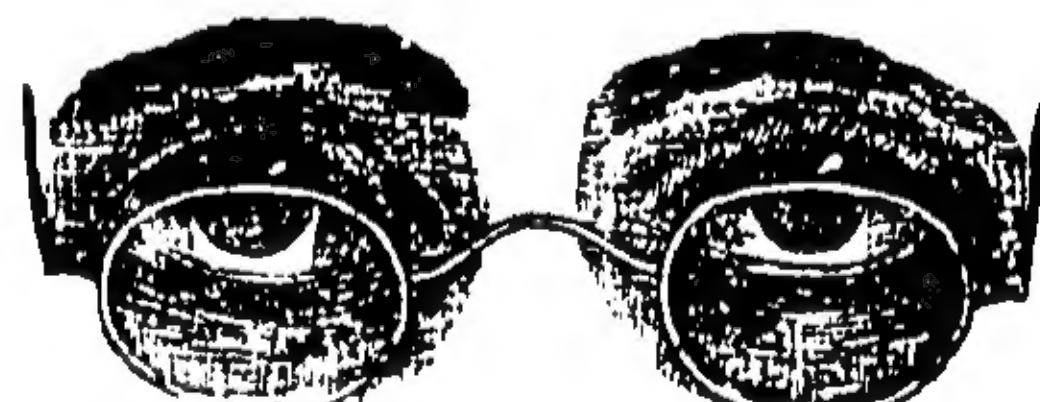
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THE MANAGER,
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Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

Intimations.

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Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1904.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF HO MUI SZ, OTHER
WISE HO LIN SHING, LATE OF
VICTORIA, HONGKONG, Deceased.

TENDERS will be received by the Under-
signed, at the Registry of the Supreme
Court House until Noon of WEDNESDAY,
the 30th March, 1904, for the purchase of the
Business of the 170 P. W. P. Workshop, No. 86,
Hollywood Road, Victoria aforesaid, including
the GOODWILL, STOCK-IN-TRADE,
SIGNBOARD, BOOK DEBTS, FURNI-
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Every Tender shall be accompanied by a
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Hongkong, 17th March, 1904.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 15th August, 1903.

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Special Prices for Quantities.
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Hongkong, 24th March, 1904.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY AN-
NUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Company will be
held at the Company's Office, No. 29, Queen's
Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 31st
March, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report and Statement of Accounts,
for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st
March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
M. A. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904.

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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY AN-
NUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company, will be held in the
Office of the General Managers, No. 14, Des
Vaux Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY,
6th April, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of
receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report
of the General Managers for the year ending
31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and
electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from Saturday, 2nd April,
at 1 P.M., until Wednesday, 6th April.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that,
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SCRIP CERTIFICATES for SHARES of the
NEW ISSUE IN EXCHANGE for HONG-
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the Company, Nos. 35 and 40, Queen's Road
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Hongkong, 15th February, 1904.

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1903.

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YARN MARKET.

In their report, dated 25th instant, Messrs. Cawston, Pallen & Co. write:—There is no change of any importance to be noticed in our Yarn Market; it ruled very firm during the whole of the fortnight under review. The demand has chiefly run on Nos. 10s and 12s, and are still in request at current prices or at an advance of one to two dollars per bale. The upcountry demand has been greatly restricted to these threads, and it is expected that in the course of a few days a good lot will be shipped to those places. Nos. 16s and 20s move slowly, and a limited business is reported in selected threads only at last Mail's prices. The clearances in these counts have been too slow of late. Nos. 6s and 8s, show no improvement, both as regards consumption and prices. Sales during the past fortnight comprise of about 50 bales of No. 8s; 2,600 bales of No. 10s; 875 bales of No. 12s; 250 bales of No. 16s; and 775 bales of No. 20s; in all about 4,600 bales. During the past couple of days a heavy drop in the rate of Exchange made importers fatter, and no business is reported as they ask for higher rates. Arrivals during the fortnight per steamers *Simla*, *Kunwang*, *France*, *Terlinda* and *Salsang* of about 7,800 bales. Shipments to Shanghai and the Northern Ports amount to about 3,500 bales. The unsold stock is estimated at about 30,000 bales.

Local Yarn:—No business is reported in the market.

Japanese Yarn:—Sales of about 500 bales are reported in the market of No. 20s at \$135 to \$136 per bale.

Exchange:—A sudden heavy drop in the rate of Exchange is noticeable and business for the outgoing mail was done on India at Rs. 134½ per cent. London at Sh. 1/9 9/16 = \$.

FORTNIGHTLY MARKET REPORT.

Cotton Indian.—A demand sprang up in selected staple and sales of about 200 packages are reported at \$9 to \$13 per picul, that is, at an advance of about a dollar per picul. The unsold stock is estimated at about 1,400 bales.

Cotton Chinese.—A small sale of about 75 bales are reported at \$32.50 per picul. The stock is estimated at about 250 bales.

Yarn Indian.—During the past fortnight ruled firm and with an advance of about one to two dollars per bale a good business transpired. The demand has been mostly in Nos. 10s and 12s. Sales of about 4,600 bales are reported. The unsold stock is estimated at about 30,000 bales.

Yarn Local.—Ruled quiet. No business is reported.

Yarn Japanese.—Prices show a good improvement. Sales are reported of about 500 bales at \$135 to \$136 per bale.

Opium Malwa.—Ruled steady. Though the shipments from Bombay of late are on a moderate scale. Importers are free sellers, and the Chinese dealers purchased during the fortnight last year's drug at \$940 to \$960 per picul, about 28 chests. Old about 75 chests at \$980 to \$1,020 per picul. Older about 40 chests at \$1,050 to \$1,060 per picul—and oldest about 30 chests at \$1,080 to \$1,130 per picul—in all about 173 chests. The unsold stock is estimated at about 1,400 chests.

Opium Bengal.—A good business transpired at advancing rates. Sales of Patna about 625 chests at \$1,265 to \$1,280—and Benares about 230 chests at \$1,245 to \$1,265 are reported. The unsold stock is about 725 chests.

Opium Persian.—A moderate business, say of about 75 chests at \$850 to \$900 are reported. The stock is estimated at about 2,100 chests.

Miscellaneous Quotations. Price per picul:—

Apricots	...	26 to 28
Beans	...	3
Caraway seeds	...	5
Cassia	...	14½ to 23
Cawbazar	...	130 to 131
Grapes	...	17 to 18
Glue	...	23 to 26
Klamiss	...	13
Rosa Oil	...	175
Senna Leaves	...	2 to 5
Saltpetre	...	11
Tin Leaves	...	107
Wax (Japan)	...	41 to 50
Borax	...	18
Cloves	...	20 to 48
Cassia Oil	...	105 to 170
Camphor (Chinese)	...	115
Camphor (Formosa)	...	125
Fennelseed Oil	...	325
Galangale	...	3 to 5
Ivory	...	300 to 800
Olibanum	...	6 to 30
Rasins	...	8 to 10
Sandalwood	...	27 to 30
Sandalwood Oil	...	350 to 400
Yermillon	...	84 to 85

Masonic.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE.
No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [413]

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 125, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on SATURDAY, the 2nd April, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [414]

Intimations.

THE TRUTH ALWAYS.

"When you are in doubt tell the truth." It was an experienced old diplomat who said this to a beginner in the work. It may pass in some things, but not in business. Fraud and deception are often profitable so long as concealed; yet detection is certain sooner or later; then comes the smash-up and the punishment. The best and safest way is to tell the truth all the time. Thus you make friends that stick by you, and a reputation that is always worth twenty shillings to the pound everywhere your goods are offered for sale. We are able modestly to affirm, that it is on this basis that the world-wide popularity of

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1904. [39]

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LECTURE.

MONDAY, 28TH MARCH, 1904, AT 5 P.M.

M. R. J. B. SUTTON, the Commercial Representative of the Government of the State of New South Wales, has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture on "AUSTRALIA AND THE BRITISH EMPIRE," at ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 28th March, at 5 P.M.
The Honorable GERSHON STEWART will take the Chair.
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BIRTH.

On the 18th March, at Everton, the wife of F. W. WEBB of a son.

DEATH.

On the 18th March, died in General Hospital, Singapore ROBERT HOLMES, aged 39 years, Chief Engineer S.S. *Chuang Hock Kuan*.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1904.

HUMANUM EST ERRARE.

Those of our readers who have been following, with care, the news supplied in our special telegrams since the opening of the present struggle, and have remarked their exactitude, will agree that we had some justification in inserting the cable, reporting the fall of Port Arthur, which appeared in our columns on Tuesday. This has now provoked a letter of protest from Mon. C. de Bologowsky, the Consul for Russia in this Colony. It is hardly necessary to state our regret that erroneous news, of such a sensational character, should have been transmitted to us by one of our correspondents; especially since we have hitherto been able to supply readers with information, the accuracy of which has never been challenged. We have to thank the Russian Consul for the rectification he has circulated regarding our Tokio cable, re the surrender of Port Arthur. It is, however, a matter of surprise that he did not see fit to forward us his letter, to which we should have been happy to give prominence in our columns. M. de Bologowsky might remember that if newspapers are sometimes victims to an over zealous correspondent, it would seem that, from the official Russian reports, which reach us either through Reuters or the *Echo de Chine*, the authorities at St. Petersburg are also recipients of *camarades*, taking their flight it would seem from the staff offices in Port Arthur and Vladivostok. By a fine quotation, the Russian Consul shows that he possesses a cultured knowledge of the French classics; it will, therefore, be but a small effort to him to comply with a courteous request to recall and consider that charming line of de Rochefoucauld's—*Il est plus aisé d'être sage pour les autres, que pour soi-même*.

SEVEN MONTHS' PLAGUE.

A report of the Acting Medical Officer of Health on the epidemic of plague during the first seven months of 1903 has been printed in the *Government Gazette*. From it we learn that, during the period under review, the total number of cases reported was 1,363, and the number of known deaths 1,206, which gives a mortality rate for the epidemic of 88.4 per cent—the smallest since the outbreak of plague in 1894. While giving rats their due as disseminators of plague germs, Dr. Pearce says it is not possible to make any definite statement regarding the influence of rat plague on human plague, owing to the probability that many rats were imported into the Colony, and that by far the majority of those collected were reported as found in the streets. He records his opinion that overcrowding with its vitiation of the atmosphere of rooms, and the intimate personal contact, which is a result of such overcrowding, is probably the greatest factor in the spreading of a plague epidemic. We find that the districts in which the largest number of people was attacked by the disease had a percentage of '94 and '73 respectively. In the former, there was a Chinese population of 23,180, with 8.8 persons per floor, while 219 cases were recorded, and in the latter the population of 25,080 totalled out to 9.0 per floor, and the number of cases notified was 185. In both these districts the houses are generally smaller and cheaper than those in the central district, and, in reviewing this phase of the distribution of plague, Dr. Pearce says: "This matter of overcrowding is an extremely difficult one to deal with, it having been found

by experience that endeavours to reduce it in one district only increase it in neighbouring districts.

It may perhaps be as well to define overcrowding at this point. Strictly speaking overcrowding has only an indirect relation to cubic capacity. An overcrowded house is one in which there are too many people for the amount of fresh air passing through the house per hour. A building with its windows shut will be overcrowded before a building well ventilated. The accepted standard of 1,000 cubic feet per head is merely arrived at because air can in houses of a temperate climate be changed three times an hour without draught, 3,000 cubic feet of fresh air per hour being the amount required by each adult to maintain health.

In a warm climate air may be changed more quickly in a room without causing draught and so less space per head would suffice.

But every one who has seen the houses of the Chinese in Hongkong must be struck with the fact that efficient ventilation is impossible. There are no fire-places, the rooms are long and narrow, the window at the front obstructed by verandahs. Streets are narrow, back lanes and yards are worse. The situation of the city itself tends to accentuate this state of things.

In dealing with the meteorological data, I have pointed out that plague began in the cold season. It is just at that time that the ventilation of rooms would be at its very worst or, in other words, that the overcrowding would be most acute.

Turning to the preventive measures taken with a view to check the course of the epidemic we find they have been (1.) the disinfection of houses in which plague has occurred, and the personal effects of the inmates; (2.) the closure, especially at the beginning of the epidemic, of various blocks of houses where the disease had broken out, until such time as the houses could be disinfected and rendered rat proof; (3.) rat-preventive measures. It is common knowledge that, for some years past, most absurd rumours as to the objects of Government in their plague measures have obtained currency amongst the people. Those misapprehensions, and the general experience that the people of infected areas can and will evade measures for dealing with the plague which are distasteful to them, at one time established it as an axiom that it was hopeless to carry out any system of plague administration which ran counter to the feelings, susceptibilities and prejudices of the Chinese. The native community is now beginning to respond to the call of the Sanitary Board's matters appertaining to hygiene, and less opposition is being exhibited towards preventive measures. Beyond a small amount of obstruction and wordy warfare, orders are now being carried out, and the native community has resigned itself to the inevitable cleansing operations. People have grown accustomed to the pressure of the Sanitary Inspector, and have learned he is there to assist, not to prosecute them. Beneficial results are beginning to be felt, but not until the city is so reconstructed that into all its streets and through all its houses sunlight and fresh air enter freely will the conditions favourable to the continuance and spread of plague cease to remain.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. P. W. Golding has been appointed a member of the committee of the Wangneicheong and Queen's Recreation grounds, vice Mr. Frank Browne resigned.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Rev. G. A. Humberly \$30
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It is notified in the *Gazette* that the time within which owners of piers demolished under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1899, were required to give notice of their intention to apply for permission to re-erect such piers having long since passed, no further notice of such intention will be entertained by the Government.

A *CREYON* journal says that the British soldier will be delighted to hear that the most uncomfortable and awkward part of his equipment, the buff belt, is to be abolished. The War Office has decided to substitute for it an improved girdle of web, or similar pliable material, and all the accoutrements will be of like material. In the Royal Artillery the buff will be entirely dispensed with.

THE *Singapore Free Press* says that, shareholders in the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, will not fail to note in their reports the resignation of Mr. John Anderson as a director, and the fact that no successor has been appointed. The connection of Mr. John Anderson and his partner, the late Mr. Thomas Scott, with the great dock company that means so much to Singapore, has been so long and so intimate that shareholders will wonder at the severance, which can hardly be explained by Mr. Anderson's meditated departure for home shortly. Recent telegrams from the Straits have gone far to explain the reasons for Mr. John Anderson's resignation, and his many friends here will be glad to receive the details expected by the next mail from Singapore.

H. E. the Officer Administering the Government has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of the King, to the Ordinance to further amend the New Territories Land Court Ordinance, No. 18 of 1900.

THE S.S. *Honam* was very slightly damaged on her trip up to Canton on Thursday. Owing to a heavy fog she fouled the Iron Barrier and carried away a few feet of the fender forward of the paddle box. She was delayed for a very few minutes and reached Canton shortly after schedule time. The steamboat company's service has not been changed in the least and the *Honam* is still and is not likely to be docked in consequence of the slight damage sustained.

A NEW map of Korea has been issued by the great cartographical firm of Edward Stanford the preparation of the geographical detail having been carried out by Mr. Angus Hamilton who has recently published a most excellent book on Korea. Mr. Hamilton is hitherto best known for his good work done during the China-Japan war as special correspondent for the *Pull Mall Gazette*. His tours through Manchuria and Korea have thoroughly equipped him to form sound views on the political situation and on the course of the war. These views he contributes from time to time to the *London Press*. The scale of his Korean map is 30 miles to the inch, and there is an amplitude of place names and a 0 indications of contour by excellent mountain shading. Roads and tracks are indicated clearly and railways planned, in progress, or in operation. The price is 5s.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

A general meeting of the above-named company was held at the office of the Hon. Mr. C. P. Chater, Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road, this afternoon for the purpose of receiving from the liquidator a final report together with the statement of accounts to 31st December, 1903. Here were present:—Mr. J. Gossmann, liquidator, (in the chair), Sir C. P. Chater, Messrs. H. N. Mody, A. Haupt, E. Omistson, A. J. Raymond, W. S. S. Sassoon, L. Wai Chuen, T. P. Coltrane, T. L. Rose, F. M. de Graça, J. M. de Graça, E. Gong and C. W. May.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, with your permission we will take the report and accounts in your hands as read. Further, I do not know of very much to add; the liquidation of the Chinese Insurance Company Limited having become quite an ancient history already dating back as far as 1888. It was only in 1892, however, that I was placed in charge of the affairs of this company. The bulk of the liquidation was finished at that time, and I had only to watch when I might consider it prudent to distribute the small remaining assets amongst the shareholders. A few claims, which were not recovered under the agreement with the London syndicate, were also brought forward. As you will notice from the statement of accounts, I have had to make good the loss on one Japanese loan bond. The bond was sold in the London market in July 1891, when it was afterwards discovered that the bond had been drawn already in April 1891, and after taking due advice I could not but admit the claim. The claim paid per "Pompot" was originally put forward with £26,678, but after a good deal of correspondence I managed to compromise matters by paying £150. A few other small claims I have succeeded in refusing altogether. I might add that the original liquidators, Messrs. F. Dodwell and St. C. Michaelson, in their report of the 23rd January, 1892, expressed the hope that the return of capital would probably be \$11 per share, which you will find in a way has been realized, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, trusting that one of the gentlemen present will second this.

Sir Paul Chater seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman proposed the following resolution, which Mr. T. L. Rose seconded:—"To those shareholders who make a written application to the liquidator Mr. J. Gossmann, on or before the 2nd day of April, 1904, \$1 or a fraction of same, will be returned per share, and any balance remaining after payment of auditor's fee, printing and petty expenses, is to be transferred to the credit of the liquidator."

Carried.

VOLUNTEER INSPECTION.

The annual inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps by H. E. Major General Villiers Hutton, C.B., took place at 2.45 this afternoon on the new parade ground. The uniform for the day was:—Khaki drill, puttees, white helmets, belts, sidearms and rifles. The inspection was going on as we went to press, and a detailed account will appear in our next issue.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

H. E. the Officer Administering the Government has made the following appointments with effect from the departure of Mr. Justice Wise on leave of absence on the 30th inst.:—Mr. T. Sercombe Smith to be Poinsie Judge; Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz to be first police magistrate and coroner, and Mr. J. H. Kemp to be second police magistrate.

Mr. P. N. H. Jones has been appointed to act as Director of Public Works with effect from the departure of the Hon. W. Chatham on leave of absence on the 30th inst., and during the absence on leave of Mr. G. A. Woodcock, Mr. T. A. Hammer has been appointed acting secretary, and Mr. G. N. O'Neil acting assistant secretary of the Sanitary Board.

WATKINS, LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The ordinary annual meeting of the shareholders in Watkins, Limited was held at noon to-day, in the company's office, Queen's Road. There were present Messrs. Chan A. Fook (Chairman), G. A. Watkins, J. W. Osborne, A. R. Ezekiel, Wong Leung Him, Tsang Ng Sai and Tsang Yut Kai.

After the notice convening the meeting had been read, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts have now been in your hands for some days, I presume you have no objection to their being taken as read. The volume of business done by the Company during last year was slightly better than 1902. Your general managers, however, consider it advisable to write off larger sums for depreciation rather than increase the dividend, which the slightly larger net profit made, viz. \$14,389.12 against previous year's \$12,524.74, would permit. So far, the current year's business also shows encouraging increase, due, no doubt, to the enhanced position of our new premises which were occupied by us in October last. Turning to the accounts, I would like to say a word or two in explanation. Regarding "Accounts Payable" \$16,179.65, these represent local bills at the end of December, all of which have since been paid. The large sum appearing at debit of furniture and fixtures is for cost of new fittings from England, electric light and gas installations, also for various improvements to the building introduced since the contract was signed. Our stock on hand is about \$23,000 more than 1902, which is due to our increased business and larger premises. Our aerated water factory is in excellent working order, and the demand for our products increasing. The factory, which used to be in Mason's Lane, is now attached to this building and is, therefore, constantly under the personal supervision of the general managers, a change, I may add, that is most desirable. The structure known as Watkins' Building has been erected with funds raised on mortgage of the building and on the personal guarantee of the general managers, for which the company has not been charged with any commission. At the present moment the company is receiving rents nearly sufficient to pay off the monthly instalments of capital and interest, so that we have the use of the whole of the ground floor of this building at a nominal figure. Gentlemen, I may tell you that if we have more capital we will be able to do more business, and consequently earn larger profits, thus enabling us to pay you larger dividends. It is, of course, for you to decide whether to increase the capital or not. Before proposing the adoption of the accounts, I shall be glad to answer any questions shareholders may wish to ask. As there are no questions I propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. A. R. Ezekiel seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman—Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday and shareholders are requested to apply for them. That is all the business; thank you for your attendance, gentlemen.

THE RECLAMATION DISPUTE.

JUDGMENT.

The Chief Justice (Sir W. M. Goodman) attended at the Supreme Court at noon to-day and delivered a very lengthy judgment in the action brought by Chan Ut Chiu, comprador to Messrs. S. J. David & Co., and carrying on business at 17 and 19, Lyndhurst Terrace and Pun Koa Shan, of 63 and 67, Queen's Road Central, against Chu Lee and Chu Ping, of 313 and 315, Des Voeux Road, who were sued, as executors of C. U. Chuen deceased, in respect of the right to the ownership of a Crown lease on the old Praya. The Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., barrister-at-law, and Mr. E. Sharp, K.C., barrister-at-law, (instructed by Mr. R. Harding, of Messrs. Evans and Harston, solicitors), appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. U. J. Gedge, (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, solicitors), was present on behalf of the defendants.

During the course of his judgment, his Lordship said: It seems to me that if the plaintiffs are willing to refund, with interest at 8%, the \$7,000 paid by Chu Chuen to Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, and the money contributed by Chu Chuen and the defendants towards the cost of making the Praya, I ought to decree that the Crown lease of the whole disputed portion of the reclamation ought to be granted (on payment of any further contributions that may be due on final settlement of the Praya reclamations account) to the plaintiffs or, if granted to the defendants, that the land must be held by them in trust for the plaintiffs. As regards costs, I think the plaintiffs' predecessor was to blame for not showing diligence in asserting his rights during his life time, and allowing himself to be overborne by Chu Chuen's vigorous assertion of his claims. I also consider the defendants' predecessor to have been wrong in his construction of the Ordinance. I, therefore, decide that each side should bear its own costs.

Mr. Sharp:—We will assent to the undertaking which your Lordship suggests.

PLAGUE IN TAINAN.

The Acting Colonial Secretary has communicated to us the following telegram received from the British Consul, at Anping (Formosa):—

"Plague prevalent in Tainan District, none in Anping, Takow; temporary medical inspection of passengers leaving Anping for Japan only enforced from March 10th."

ELEGGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The Near East.

LONDON, 24th March.

Ten thousand Albanians have revolted at Babatepe. Shukur Pasha with twelve battalions are hastening to his assistance from various points.

LATER.

China and the United States.

In spite of strong American opposition, China has denounced the Chinese exclusion treaty which will expire on the 27th December next.

Obituary.

The death is announced of Sir Edwin Arnold.

The Anglo-French Agreements.

In reference to the Anglo-French agreements telegraphed on the 17th inst., it is understood that those relating to Newfoundland and Nigeria are completed. France renounces all territorial claims in Newfoundland, England paying a small compensation for the few Lobster Canneries on the French shore. Great Britain makes concessions in Nigeria giving the French a short cut to Lake Tchad. In regard to Morocco and Egypt, each party engages practically not to stand in the way of the other, but the commitment of this to paper is difficult. Finally, the points hitherto in question concerning Siam are clearly defined.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

Friday, the 1st, and Monday, the 4th of April, being public holidays under "The Holidays Ordinance, 1875," will be observed as Government holidays, excepting at the magistracy where Monday will not be observed as a holiday. H. E. the Officer Administering the Government has also appointed Saturday, the 2nd of April, to be observed as a holiday throughout the Government Departments, except the Police Magistrates' Department.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held on Monday next, at 3 p.m. The following are the orders of the day:—

1. Financial Minutes. (Nos. 19 and 20).

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for and regulate the Employment of Natives.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance for the Reservation of a Residential Area in the Hill District.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1882 entitled "The Banishment and Conditional Pardon Ordinance, 1882."

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891.

Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to enable effect to be given in this Colony to a Convention signed the Fifth day of March Nineteen hundred and two in relation to Sugar.

R. F. JOHNSTON.

Acting Clerk of Councils.

N.B.—A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held immediately after the Council.

SHIPPING SUBSIDIES.

The annual report by the British Consul at Pakhoi on the affairs of the French colonies of Indo-China, contains an item of considerable interest to shipping circles. After stating that "It is proposed to amalgamate the lines from Saigon to Singapore, and from Singapore to Java, in order to provide direct service to the latter place and enable French ships to participate in the trade with the Dutch Indies, which the transshipment at Singapore has hitherto prevented them from doing," Mr. Consul Little proceeds to report as follows:—

"A new Company (subsidised) has been formed to engage in the coasting trade in the China Seas, and it is proposed to grant it a further subsidy to maintain a regular service between Saigon and Shanghai, via Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow, with the additional obligation of recruiting coolies at those ports for Indo-China. La Compagnie Française de Cabotage des Mers de Chine, a new concern, will receive a subsidy of 150,000 francs per annum, under the law of November last, and probably another of 300,000 francs for maintaining a service between Saigon and Shanghai. The subsidy to the Messageries Fluviales amounts to 300,000 francs. The subsidy to the steamship service on the Yangtze is 200,000 francs per annum."

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Canadian (*Athenian*) 29th inst.
German (*Preussen*) 29th inst.
Indian (*Lightning*) 30th inst.
American (*Doric*) 4th prox.
Indian (*Hungary*) 5th prox.
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 15th prox.
American (*Siberia*) 17th prox.

THE WAR.

TSAR'S DISTRESS.

From the highly authoritative source in St. Petersburg to which I have already referred I gather further details of the terrible distress which the outbreak of war has caused to the Tsar.

His Majesty is a man of high principle and tender heart, but his weakness and impressionability are notorious. Even when his intentions are of the very best he is capable of being led to do things which are quite in the teeth of those intentions. And so much is he swayed by others that it might be said with truth that he has never really reigned.

The true ruler of Russia soon after the Tsar's accession was the insignificant-looking but bitter and autocratic old man, Pobiedonozoff. The present holder of power is the equally hard, violent, and reckless Von Plehve.

The Tsar, whose health has never been robust, is now ill and almost broken down.

The evening before the first disheartening news of the outbreak in the Far East the Tsar went to his mother and showed her a paper. "I have given my decision," he said to her, "I will that there shall be no war."

But a few hours later there came the news of the attack by the Japanese on the Russian warships.

When the news was received the Tsar was rent between anger and grief, and burst into unavailing tears.

He has since discovered that the accounts given to him of Russia's preparedness in case she were attacked were not true. Three years ago the Tsar ordered a certain highly important invention to be adopted by the whole of the artillery. He has just learned that in only one battery was it carried out. The discovery cost two generals their commands, and no doubt helped to bring about the Tsar's present painful condition of health.—*Ex.*

THE END OF THE "KORYETZ" AND "VARYAG."

A graphic description is given in the February issue of the *Korea Review* of the end of the *Koryetz* and *Varyag*. This was on the 9th of February.

It was generally known through out the town of Chemulpo that the *Koryetz* would be blown up before four o'clock and everyone sought some point of vantage from which to witness the spectacle. Scores of people went out to the little island on which the light-house stands, for this was nearest to the doomed ship. It was thirty-seven minutes past three when the waiting multitude saw two blinding flashes of light, one following the other in quick succession. A terrific report followed which dwarfed the roar of cannon to a whisper and shook every house in the town as if it had been struck by a solid rock. The window-fastenings of one house at least were torn off, so great was the concussion. An enormous cloud of smoke and debris shot towards the sky and at the same time enveloped the spot where the vessel had lain. A moment later there began a veritable shower of splintered wood, torn and twisted railing, books, clothes, rope, utensils and other belongings of the ship. The cloud of smoke expanded in the upper air and blotted out the sun like an eclipse. The startled gulls flew hither and thither as if dazed by this unheard of phenomenon and men instinctively raised their hands to protect themselves from the falling debris, pieces of which were drifted by the upper currents of air for a distance of three miles landward where they fell by the hundreds.

When the smoke was dissipated it was discovered that the *Koryetz* had sunk, only her funnel and some torn rigging appearing above the surface, if we except her forward steel deck which the force of the explosion had bent up from the pier so that the point of it, like the share of a huge plough, stood several feet out of water. The surface of the bay all about the spot was covered thickly with smoking debris and several of the ship's boats were floating about intact upon the water.

The Russians were making preparations to blow up the *Varyag* as well, but the magnitude of the explosion on board the *Koryetz* led the commanders to suggest that the *Varyag* be allowed to sink where she lay. She was already in a sinking condition and was burning freely. It was evident that she could not become a Japanese prize, so she was simply abandoned and left to the elements.

The forty-one dead could hardly have been carried on board the friendly ships, so they were, with a few exceptions, placed in a cabin together and the ship for which they had fought and died became their tomb. As viewed from the deck of the United States gunboat *Vicksburg* she was lying to port at an angle of nearly thirty degrees at five o'clock in the afternoon. The fire in her after part would break out and then subside, while every few moments came the detonation of a cartridge which the fire had reached. Two of her four funnels were partly shot away and her deck presented a scene of wild confusion. Just before dark, when it seemed that any moment might be her last, a boat was seen putting off from the *Pascal* and manned apparently by five or six naval men. They went straight to the *Sungari* and remained on board for perhaps fifteen minutes. Then they pushed off, but they had not left her side by more than a half dozen lengths before a tongue of flame appeared from the region of her cabin and it was apparent that she had been deliberately fired. But soon all eyes were again centred on the *Varyag*. She was preparing for the final plunge. Slowly she dipped further and further to port until her rail was under water—an excited murmur arose from the men who crowded the side of the *Vicksburg* to see her go. And then she heeled over on her side: slowly and majestically she turned until at last her funnels touched the water and with a great surging, choking groan she went to her resting place. As the water reached the fires a cloud of steam went up which, illuminated by the dying flash of fire, seemed to form her signal of farewell.

It was expected that the Japanese would demand as prisoners of war the men who had been taken on board the neutral ships, but it would have been refused on the plea that the men had been rescued off sinking ships in a neutral harbour; but it was recognised that these rescued men had become no combatants by seeking asylum, and so it was subsequently arranged that the British vessel should carry to a British port those whom she had rescued and guarantee their parole until the end of the war. The French were carrying theirs to Saigon while those on the Italian boat were to be disposed of in a similar manner.

This wholly unexpected annihilation of the Russian boats naturally caused consternation among the Russians of Chemulpo and Seoul.

THE "MANDJOUR."

Mr. Lessar, the Russian Minister, is said to have consented to the dismantling of the *Mandjour* and the landing of the Russian crews aboard, but refused to submit the matter in writing.

(From Japanese Exchanges.)

THE SITUATION IN KOREA.

Seoul, 15th March.—A branch of the Dai Ichi Ginko was opened at Puyon-yang yesterday. It is already doing a brisk business in changing Japanese war notes.

Seoul, 16th March.—Mr. S. Special Envoy to Korea, and his suite, are expected to arrive at Chemulpo to-morrow. Mr. Hayashi, Japanese Minister to Seoul, and all the leading Japanese officials and Korean officials will go down to the port to meet him. Marquis Ito will stay about ten days in Seoul. The Korean Emperor is reported to be highly pleased with the despatch of Marquis Ito. The Korean Government have decided to send 2,000 men from Pyongyang to the frontier to act on the defensive against the Russians.

Seoul, 16th March.—A despatch, from the north, received here last night, states that it is confirmed that there are 200 Russians on the northern bank of the Seisen. The Russians fired on the Japanese yesterday in order to reconnoitre the Japanese strength, but the latter did not reply. It is believed that there are 1,500 Russians at Kimshin. Seisen seems to be the boundary between the Japanese and Russian forces at present.

Seoul, 16th March.—A reliable despatch received here last night states that 1,600 Russians, with 8 x guns, have arrived at Kimshin, about 15 miles to the south of Teshu. 200 of them arrived subsequently on the northern bank of the Seisen. Fifty of the latter advanced yesterday morning and challenged the Japanese troops on this side. The Japanese did not respond. The number of the Russian troops at Wiju is not definitely known at present. The Russians at Yujin, northern Kanku-do, are constantly in the neighbourhood of Kijung.

The Korean Government have resolved to despatch 2,000 men from Puyang to drive the Russians beyond the Yalu.

Seoul, 16th March.—It is reported that the Korean Court has granted a concession for the working of a gold mine at Shogyo to France, and a similar concession for another mine to Germany. The report requires confirmation. There is nothing improbable in the news, however, as it is known that the Japanese authorities have raised no objection to mining concessions being made by Korea to foreign countries.

Seoul, March 17.—Marquis Ito, Special Envoy to Korea, arrived at Chemulpo to-day. His Excellency landed at 3 p.m. Marquis Ito and his suite arrived at Seoul by train at 5 o'clock and was escorted to the special residence prepared for him by the Japanese authorities here.

The *N. C. D. News* prints the following cables:—Tokio, 22nd March.—On account of a defamatory Russian article, the *Niroku Shimbun* has been suspended and the compiler of the article sentenced to four months' imprisonment. An agitation has been started in the Lower House for the expulsion of Mr. Akiyama, the proprietor of the *Niroku* on the ground of his being a Russian spy.

The House of Representatives is to discuss the war taxes to-morrow, and the Government will lay on the table the papers containing recent diplomatic negotiations.

News has reached a high Chinese official here from the North (says the *N. C. D. News* of 23rd inst.) that nearly all the Russian troops have been withdrawn from Port Arthur. Not only are Port Arthur itself and Dalny protected by a large number of submarine mines, but the land approaches have been very extensively mined in preparation for a Japanese attack, while the buildings and stocks of coals, stores, etc., have had enough kerosene oil distributed on them to make it certain that they will burn freely; and only enough of a garrison has been left to fire the mines, etc., when the enemy comes.

It is stated on Russian authority that fifteen unexploded Japanese Whitehead torpedoes have been recovered from the harbour, and that their failure to explode is due to the fact that in their excitement the crews of the Japanese destroyers forgot before launching them to remove the safety pins which are fixed to keep them harmless until they are to be used in action.

According to the *P. & T. Times* twenty Chinese and one Japanese, in Chinese dress, were caught in Port Arthur on the 11th inst. signalling with lanterns to the Japanese from different positions, one near the warehouse where there are large quantities of stores. Their fate is unknown.

The Dutch East Indies are said to have now been put in readiness for an immediate mobilisation at any time, and officers have been forbidden to leave their garrisons.

The authorities at Port Arthur claim that they will be able to hold out for two years. There is a Japanese in Singapore who fought in the army against China, and had been ordered back to rejoin the colours. He had made all preparations and was intending to sail immediately but received a telegram to say that it was unnecessary for him to do so at present. This is an instance of the minute care with which the Japanese authorities administer their army and keep in touch with its reserve.

THE KOREAN ARMY.

AN OPERA-BUFFE FORCE.

Korea's treaty and alliance with Japan gives new interest to the Hermit Kingdom and its army. Korea is in no sense a martial nation, and, as a military factor, the Korean Army is a contemptible affair, in numbers, armament, and efficiency; nevertheless, it has an uncommon good conceit of itself, founded upon crass ignorance.

THE COCKPIT OF CHINA AND JAPAN.

Korea is in a peculiar position. Sandwiched in between Japan and China, she therefore needs either a strong and well-equipped army, so as to present at least a show of resistance in case of attack, or else she must have an army simply for police duty, and rely for safety on the fact that her autonomy is a necessity to both countries, and so leave to them the task of defending her from attack. Korea formed the cockpit of the medieval conflicts between China and Japan, and the terrible experience of Japanese invasions encouraged the Korean love of isolation.

FOREIGN INVASIONS.

The first serious attempt to open up the Hermit Nation for commerce was made by the French in 1866, the excuse being the ill-treatment of French missionaries. An expedition was despatched under Admiral Roze, 600 troops were landed, and Kanbwa was captured. At that time the Koreans had only a very small army, quartered at Seoul. Eventually the French grew careless, and were repulsed in an attack on a fortified monastery. Thereupon, to the disgust of the fleet, Admiral Roze withdrew his force and sailed away. Then, and not till then, the Korean Army emerged from its strategic position in the rear, and claimed to have defeated the invader. The next nation to attempt the coercion of Korea was the United States, in 1871, when an expedition was sent to demand satisfaction for an act of piracy. Some wretched forts on the coast were captured without any resistance being offered, after which Admiral Rodgers, like Admiral Roze, preferred to retire. Again, the Korean Army claimed to have repelled the enemy. It now adds to its score, according to Korean accounts, the defeats of both France and the United States.

THE POSITIONS.

In 1876, Japan succeeded in opening Korea, and Japanese officers were imported to instruct the Korean Army. At the same time, the ex-Regent, Tai-Wen-Kun, set to work to organise a kind of popular army, or militia, known as the *Yusungs*, which was supposed to muster 60,000 men. In 1882, and again in 1884, the Koreans tried to rid themselves of foreigners, and in each rising the army began with the massacre of its Japanese and Chinese military instructors, for China had followed Japan's lead in appointing officers to the Korean Army. Japan accused China of being responsible for these troubles, but the history of their political issues does not concern us. Suffice it to say, that the Trenton Convention, signed on April 18th, 1885, settled for the time being all disputes between China and Japan, and one of its articles very sensibly stipulated that no more officers should be sent by either country to drill the Korean troops.

FOREIGN INSTRUCTORS.

The next effort made to increase the efficiency of the army originated from the Korean Ministry. In 1888, four officers, three from the United States, and one from Japan, were called in, and contracts made with them to train a corps of cadets, and so to extend instruction to the 4,000 troops in the capital; but after these instructors had come, and had attempted to begin work, they found themselves hampered and harassed, so that they could accomplish nothing. Add to this, their salaries were constantly months in arrears. The result was that hardly any instruction was given, but the Government spent large sums of money on the establishment of powder mills, which produced nothing, and on a change of uniforms.

ATTEMPTED RUSSIANISATION.

We now come to the story of the attempted Russianisation of the Korean Army, and the following diverting particulars are extracted from the reports drawn up by Lieutenants Afonasev and Grudinsky, who were among the Russian instructors:—The revolution of 1896, which brought about the murder of the pro-Japanese members of the Cabinet, and the restoration of Yi-Hi, was the work of Russian influence. Russia presented the King with 30,000 Russian rifles and 60,000 cartridges, and in August, 1896, a military school was opened at Seoul, under the orders of the Russian Lieutenant Khmyelid. He was assisted by several Korean officers in the interior economy of that establishment, and selected thirty-three naive pupils as cadets from the classes most loyal to the King. The evacuation of Korea by Japanese troops was completed in the following October, and at the same time the first party of Russian instructors, comprising two subalterns, a doctor, and ten noncommissioned officers, reached Seoul. The army in Seoul consisted of 3,325 infantry and eighty-five cavalry. The Korean Ministry of War begged that the instruction of all the available troops should be forthwith commenced, and, taking advantage of the wave of martial enthusiasm then sweeping through the country, levied twelve dollars from every soldier and every recruit, as a kind of entrance fee to the new army about to be formed.

ITS PRESENT CONDITION.

In 1898 the influence of Japan revived, and the Korean Government asked the Russian officers and drill instructors to withdraw, which they did in April. Since then the Korean Army has possessed neither European nor Japanese instructors, but the system introduced by Russia is maintained. There are two instructional battalions, which are quartered in Seoul, and form the Royal bodyguard. After serving about two years in these battalions, the men are drafted into the reserve army, which numbers 17,000 rank-and-file. Only the instructional battalions are armed with modern rifles. The *Pungungs*, or militia, still exist in many thousands, but they possess no organisation or equipment.—*Adv. of India.*

COMMERCIAL.

RAUBS.

In the Commercial column of the *S. F. Press*, "Finance" writes respecting Raubs thus:—These shares had a mild spurt after the crushing of 1,008 ounces, but the report states that this was owing to the scripping at the end of the year, &c. It must be very gratifying to all to note the steadiness displayed in these shares, and the absence of wild speculation, and we hope, in the course of two or three years, to find the company paying a steady return in dividends.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

In their report of yesterday's date, Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly & Potts state:—There has been a better demand for our principal stocks during the week under review and a fair business has resulted, the market generally closing firm.

The Green Island Cement Company, Limited, has advertised its fifteenth ordinary annual meeting for the 6th April. The transfer books will be closed from the 2nd to the 6th proximo.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled steady, and sales have been effected at 560½, at which rate more shares can be placed. The London quotation has advanced to 561. Nationals are in demand at 55½, after sales at the price.

Marine Insurances.—Unions have been placed at 470, and more shares are wanted. China Traders have improved, and business has been transacted at 56 and 57. North Chinas are inquired for at 115. Yangtzes are quiet at 130. We understand the directors will recommend at the forthcoming general meeting a dividend of 20 per cent., and place to reserve fund the sum of \$25,000. Cantons have sellers at 175.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fires remain firm at 58½, and China Fires have been done at 58½ and 59.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have again been dealt in at 52½, and are still asked for. Indo-Chinas have changed hands to some extent at 58½ and close firm. Shanghai reports buyers at 115. 6½. China and Manilas have further advanced, and transactions at 52½ have taken place. Douglas Steamships have been booked at 52½, and are now inquired for at 53. Star Ferries are without business. Shanghai Tugs have been sold at 115. 50 and 115. 48 for the ordinary and preference shares respectively.

Refineries.—China Sugars have receded to 109 at which rate, however, shares are in request. Sales of Perak Sugars are reported in the North at 115. 50.

Mining.—There is nothing doing locally. Raubs are offering at 167.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have changed hands, and continue steady at \$2.5. Farnhams have been fixed, and have further buyers at 115. 140. Kowloon Wharfs after sales at 52½ have improved to 53½, and buyers now rule the market at the higher rate. Hongkong Wharfs are offering at 115. 180, ex the final dividend of 115. 6 paid in Shanghai on the 23rd instant.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands may be obtained at 115. 5. Shanghai Lands have been disposed of at 115. 107. Hongkong Hotels are in demand at 115. 5 ex the dividend of 5 paid on the 21st instant. Hotel des Colonies are reported sold at 115. 15. Astors are doing extremely well; we hear that owing to the influx of people from North China and Japan, the hotel is quite full. Shares have risen to 53½, but at this figure there are small sellers. Humphreys Estates keep steady at 110½.

Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons have declined and are on offer at 114½.

Cigar Companies.—Sumatras can be placed at 115. 53.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements are still quoted at 52½. The general managers' report says that the net profit for 1903, inclusive of the balance brought forward from last year, amounts to \$302,115.74, which it is proposed to apportion as follows:—namely, to pay a dividend of 5½ per share, absorbing \$150,000 and \$20,000 to reserve fund and carry forward \$32,115.74. China Horncorns are in demand at 58½ ex the dividend of 60 cents paid on the 21st instant. A. S. Watsons have been bought at 114 and there are further buyers. Watkins are offering at 57½. The report for the year ended 31st December, 1903, shows a balance at credit of profit and loss account of \$15,442.22. Out of this amount, \$14,000 is written off values of plant, furniture and steam launch, leaving available for distribution the sum of \$1,442.22. The general managers propose to pay a dividend of \$1 per share and carry forward the balance of \$1,042.22. Electricity Board have been done and are still wanted at 52½; the new shares remain quiet at 57. Hall and Holtz have changed ownership at 52½ and 53½, closing with further inquiries at the latter rate. Campbell Motors are in the market at 530. The company has decided to pay a dividend of 5 per share for 1903, as against 2½ per share for the previous year, and transfer 50,000 to reserve. Steam Waterboats are obtainable at 115. 115. William Powells having paid the interim dividend of 50 cents on the 22nd instant, we now quote the stock at 59½. Langkats are unaltered with sales at 115. 28½.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.
London—Bank T.T. 1/9 1/2
Do. demand 1/9 1/2
Do. 4 months sight 1/9 1/2
France—Bank T.T. 2/2 1/2
America—Bank T.T. 43 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T. 183
India T.T. 133 1/2
Do. demand 134
Shanghai—Bank T.T. 71 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T. 88 1/2
Singapore—Bank T.T. Nominal
Java—Bank T.T. 150 1/2
Buying.
6 months sight L/C 1/9 1/2
4 months sight L/C 1/9 1/2
30 days sight San Francisco & New York 44 1/2
4 months sight do. 45
30 days sight Sydney and Melbourne 1/10 3/16
30 days sight France 2/30
6 months sight 2/31 1/2
4 months sight Germany 1/8 1/2
Bar Silver 25 1/16
Bank of England rate 11/10

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.	
To-day's quotations are as follows:—	
Malwa New	900/930
" Old	900/1,040
" Oldest	1,080/1,120
Patna New	1,280
Hennep New	1,280
Persian (Paper)	850/930

To-day's Advertisements.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

INTENDING COMPETITORS are reminded that the ENTRIES for the forthcoming ATHLETIC MEETING close on MONDAY, the 28th instant, at 6 p.m. sharp.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN,

Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [429]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

I HAVE This Day RESUMED CHARGE of the above Company's business.

EDWARD OSBORNE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [437]

THE EUROPEAN BAKERY would be glad to take ORDERS for HOT CROSS BUNS.

HANS WEISMANN.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [439]

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [436]

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW. THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Port, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS, LAURIE & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [434]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"PERLA,"

Captain A. H. Nottley, will be despatched for the above Port, on TUESDAY, 29th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with Electric Light. For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [435]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"

Captain H. N. Vyvyan, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st prox. will be subject to sale.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st inst., at 2 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [431]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"CHINA,"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered by THURSDAY, the 31st instant, at 10 A.M., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. E. W. THIDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [430]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. "GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLEN TURRET,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd prox. will be subject to sale.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [432]

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S.S. "GLEN TURRET" are hereby notified that owing to the steamer having been on fire during the voyage, a GENERAL AVERAGE BOND must be SIGNED, and 20% of the value of the Cargo deposited with the undersigned before delivery can be obtained.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [433]

To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 5th day of April, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Bonham Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

PARTICULARS OF THE LAND									
No. of Sale.	Registry No.	LOCALITY.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upper Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		£	£
1	Inland Lot No. 1274	Bonham Road	56.6	118	86	53.6	5,000	34	1,500
Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.									
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Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 31st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 5th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 10th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 15th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 24th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 1st May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	On 7th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 13th May.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 29th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 14th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 10th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"ACHILLES"	On 20th May.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"HYSON"	On 19th April.

S.S. "TYDEUS" left Nagasaki for this port to-day, and is due here on 27th inst., at 5 p.m.
S.S. "PING SUEY" will leave Victoria, B.C., for Japan and Hongkong on 24th March.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"CHENAN"	28th March, at 4 p.m.
TIENTSIN VIA SHANGHAI	"SHANGHAI"	28th "
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"HANGCHOW"	29th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	8th April.

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light Unvalued table. A duly
qualified Surgeon is on board.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
PERLA	1080			
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 2nd April, at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 9th April, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,599	R. P. Craven	April 24, 1904.
"INDRAPURA"	4,599	J. T. Horne	
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
Days, at 7.30 A.M., on Excursion Sundays,
at 8.30 A.M., from Macao, Week Days at about
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.FARE:—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant), \$3; Return Ticket, \$5;
and Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.WHARF:—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach
Macao.MING ON & CO.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING."

Captain Ramsey, of 1,088 tons, Registered, is
the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-
nished steamer on the line and is lighted
throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water
service. The cuisine is unexcelled.Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING,
at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every
following evening at 5 P.M.1st Class.....\$3.00 for Single Journey.
and ".....1.50 " " "
Meals.....1.00 each.The steamer's wharf is at the Western end
of Wing Lok Street.YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

AUSTRALIAN LINE.

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES,
From 1st January, 1904.ALSO REDUCED FARES TO
MANILA AND RETURN.STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light, First Class Accommodation, Un-
valued Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1904. [104]

MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

J. TREVOUX & CO.

HONGKONG-CANTON NIGHTLY
SERVICE.

THE Commodious Steamer

"PAUL BEAU,"

Captain Frangeul, leaves Hongkong for Canton
at 9 P.M., on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and
THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the
following Days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M., taking
Passengers and Cargo as usual.The S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN"
Captain Noel, leaves Hongkong on MON-
DAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at
the usual hour.These Two Magnificent and Up-to-Date
Steamers, are lighted with Electricity.
The Saloon is under European Supervision.First Class European.....\$8.00
Second Class European.....3.00
First Class Chinese.....1.50
Second Class Chinese......80
Deck......30The Company's Wharf is at the end of Queen
Street, Praya West.For further Particulars, apply to
J. LANDOLT, Agent,
THE PHARMACY, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [222]

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steamers

Tons Captain

"KWONG CHOW".....1,309...J. P. MARTIN.

"KWONG TUNG".....1,338...H. W. WAI KER.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every
Evening (Saturday excepted).Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock
Every Evening (Sunday excepted).The e Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity.Passage Fare—Single Journey.....\$4
Meals.....(Each) 1The Company's Wharf is a Short Distance
West of the Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1904. [H]CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

司公限有船輪華中

FOR MOI, SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO,
AND PORTLAND (OREGON).

THE Steamship

"ATHOLL,"

Captain Watt, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant,
at Noon.For Freight, apply at the Company's Offices,
No. 20, Des Voeux Road.

HONGKONG, 25th March, 1904. [380]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"SUEVIA,"

Captain von Döhren, will be despatched for
the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 27th inst.,
at Daylight.For Freight, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [396]

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK

via SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.)

THE Steamship

"KENNEBEC,"

Captain Geo. R. Wallace, will be despatched as
above on or about MONDAY, the 28th
instant.For Freight or further information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY
OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [317]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"

Captain J. mes Young, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 29th inst., at 3 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [412]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG,"

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as
above on WEDNESDAY, the 30th instant, at
4 P.M.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First Class Passengers, and is fitted through-
out with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [416]

Shipping—Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOI and TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG,"

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 27th instant,
at Noon.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [419]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

TO NEW YORK,

via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904.

"SAINT IRENE".....29th April.
For Freight and further information, apply
toDODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

"Sanitas"

Purifying Agent

Indispensable in Hot Countries.

"Sanitas" Disinfecting Fluid
is non-poisonous and non-staining, and for
general or personal use is thoroughly effective.
It completely disinfects the house in which
it is used, and administered internally prevents
Cholera, Typhoid Fever, Dysentery, etc."Sanitas" Disinfecting Powder
is the best air purifier known, and a stronger
antiseptic and deodorant than carbolic acid.
besides being pleasant and refreshing."Sanitas" Eucalyptus Soap
is specially recommended by the medical
faculty for use in hot climates, because of its
fine disinfecting qualities and its fragrance.Kingszett's Fumigating Candles
apply the safest and most convenient means
of sulphur fumigation. For the disinfection
of infected places, bedding, clothing, etc.,
they are both efficacious and economical.
Destroy all insects.THE "SANITAS" CO. LTD.
BETHNAL GREEN,
LONDON, E.HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET
PRICES.

Corrected 17th March, 1904, per 5 Mds.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa D 18

"Corned—Ham—Ngau Yuk 18

"Roast—Shiu 18

"Breast—Ngau Lam 14

"Soup, Tong Yuk 14

"Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa 18

"Serjion—Ngau Lau 26

"Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung 16

"Bullock's Brains—Know 8

"Tongue fresh—Ngau Li 45

"Corned—Ham Ngau Li 55

"Head—Ngau Tau 55

"Heart—Ngau Sum 9

"Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin 13

"Feet—Ngau Kerk 8

"Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 8

"Tail—Ngau Mei 16

"Liver—Ngau Con 9

"Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 5

"Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-
tau-keok.....set 45

"Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kw 24

"Leg—Yeung Pei 24

"Shoulder—Yeung Shau 23

"Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong 7

"Brains—Chi Know.....per set 2

"Feet—Chi Kerk 12

"Fry—Chi Chak 12

"Head—Chi Tau 13

"Heart—Chi Sum 9

"Kidneys—Chi Yiu 9

"Liver—Chi Kon 20

"Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat 18

"Corned—Ham Chu Yuk 18

"Leg—Chu Pei 22

"Fat or Lard—Chu Yau 18

"Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau 18

"Heart 55

"Keok—Yeung Sum.....set 6

"Kidneys—Yeung Yiu 9

"Liver—Yeung Con 20

"Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai 16

"Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau 17

"Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau 20

"Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 18

"Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong 15

"POULTRY.

"Chicken—Kai Chai 32

"Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai 32

"Duck—Ap 21

"Doves—Pan Kau 20

"Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan.....per doz 20

"Fowls, Canton—Kai 34

"Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai 30

"Geese—Ngau 24

"Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye 30

"Ngo 30

"Musk Deer—Wo Keng.....pair 3.50

"Hare—Tu Chai 55

"Partridge—Che Khe 60

"Pheasant—Shan Kai 1.60

"Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kung.....each 35

"Hoibow—Hoi Pak Kung 33

"Quail—Um Chun 23

"Rice Birds—Wo Pak Chuek.....dozen 55

"Snipe—Sa Chui 24

Turkeys, Cocks—Fo Kai Kung 65

Heu 55

Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sul-ap.....pair \$1.35

Teal, Shanghai, Sul Ap Chai.....each 60

Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui
Ape.....per pair

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu.....14

Bream—Bin Yu.....13

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu 14

Carp—Li Yu.....16

Catfish—Chik Yu.....16

Crabs—Hoi.....14

Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu.....12

Dab—Sa Mang Yu.....12

Dace—Wong Mei Lun.....11

Dog Fish—Tui Tu Sa.....9

Eels, Congor—Hoi Man Yu.....15

"Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu.....14

"Yellow—Wong Sin.....24

Frogs—Tien Kai.....32

Garoupa—Sek Pan.....18

Gudgeon—Pak Kung Yu.....18

Herrings—Tao Pak.....18

Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu.....18

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THE SHARE MARKET.

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STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	BANKS.
Angkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125	{ Div. of £1 \$23.90
Bank of China, Ltd.....	£ 8	{ 3/5 = \$2 1/2
Do. Founders.....	£ 1	{ None
MARINE INSURANCE.		
London In. Society of C'non, Ltd.	\$ 100	32 per cent
Marine Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$4
Shanghai China In. Co., Ltd.	£ 5	Final of £1
Shanghai In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12
Shanghai In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	30 % = \$15
FIRE INSURANCE.		
Angkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$2 1/2 per cent
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 div. & c.
SHIPPING.		
Angkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$1 1/2 for h
China S. N. Co., Ltd.	£ 10	5 % = 10
Do. & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % = 50
Anglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$5
Angkong Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1.20
Angkong "Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	.60 etc.
Angkong "Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 1	Interm. of
Angkong Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Final of 50
Angkong Tug & Lighter Co., Limited.	Tls. 50	Interim of
Do. Preference.	Tls. 50	Interim of
REFINING.		
Angkong Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7
Angkong Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share
Angkong Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	5 % = Tls.
MINING.		
Angkong Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None
Angkong Française des Char- bonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Interim of
Angkong Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 18.10	No. 12 of

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Banking and Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$ 125	{ Div. of £1.10/- & bonus of 10/- @ 1/8 = \$22.99 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	\$607 1/2 sa. & b.
International Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 8	3/6 = \$2 for 1903	\$35 sa.
Do. Founders	£ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Marine In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	32 per cent = \$32 per share for 1902	\$470 sa. & b.
Marina Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$56 1/2
North China In. Co., Ltd.	£ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 67 1/2 b.
Overseas In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$130
Union In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	30 % = \$15 per share for 1902	\$175 s.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Shanghai Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1902	\$282 1/2 b.
Marina Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 div. & \$1 bonus per share for 1902	\$83 b.
SHIPPING.			
Shanghai, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	\$26 sa. & b.
Yat Kien S. N. Co., Ltd.	£ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	\$88 sa. & b.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % = \$5 per share for 1900	\$22 sa. & b.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$33 b.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$1.20 = 12 % for year ending 30.6.1903	\$30 b.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	50 cts. = 30 1/4 %	\$18 1/2 s.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	£ 1	Interim of 1/- for 1903	15/-
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	£ 1	Final of 2 % making 4 % for 1903	Tls. 35
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 sa.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 48 sa.
REFINERIES.			
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1903	\$109 b.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10 s.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	5 % = Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 50 sa.
MINING.			
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$1 s.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	Fr. 250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903	\$500
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	£ 10.10.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$7 s.
Yat Kien S. S. Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Shanghai & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$6 div. & \$1 bonus for 1-year 30.6.03	\$205
Shanghai & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	{ Interim of Tls. 5 for 1-year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 140 sa. & b.
Shanghai & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Final of \$2 1/2 making in all \$5 for 1903	\$30 b.
Shanghai & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2 s.
Shanghai & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 11 for 1903	T. 180 ex div. s.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1903	\$145
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$2.60 per share for 1903	\$35 s.
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Final of \$1.70 making \$3.20 for 1903	\$55 s.
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$5 for 2nd 1-year 1903	\$135 ex div. b.
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$35
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	Tls. 25	6 1/2 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 sa.
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1903	\$10 1/2
Shanghai Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	{ Final of 6 % & bonus of 4 % making 16 % for 1903	Tls. 107 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Shanghai Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1902/1903	\$14 1/2 s.
Shanghai Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	£ 50	8 1/2 % for period ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 31 s.
Shanghai Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 25 b.
Shanghai Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 32 1/2 sa.
Shanghai Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170 s.
TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Shanghai & Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	25 % for year ending 30.6.1903	\$203
Shanghai & Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	First year	\$10 b.
Shanghai & Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 sa. & b.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$35
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	60 cents per share for 1903	\$3 1/2 s.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903	\$14 b.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2 s.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1903	\$9
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2 b.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1902	\$140 b.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1903	\$142 1/2
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1903	\$47
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of \$13 making \$16 for 1903	\$220
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$30 for year ending 31.11.1903	\$300
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$12 1/2 b.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Shanghai Cement Co., Ltd.	£		

SAILING VESSELS.

Algoa Bay, Br. bq., 1,111, Title, 4th Mar.,
 Hongay 15th Feb., Coal—B. & S.

Arrow, Br. 4-masted bq., 2,071, McDonald,
 17th Mar.,—from New York by Rosine Oil
 —S. O. Co.

Lyndhurst, Br. masted-bq., 1,879, Farnell, 20th
 Mar., Kobe 13th Mar., Ballast—S. O. & Co.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dook Returns.

Ellen Rickmers	at	Kowloon Dock
Hanoi	"	"
H.M.S. Algerine	"	"
U.S.S. Kentucky	"	"
Lungtsing	"	"
Lin Tan	"	"
H.I. G.M.S. Moewa	"	"
H.M.S. Glore	"	"
San Cheong	"	"
Kashing	"	"
Tak Hing	"	"
H.M.S. Oona	"	"

A Mail will close for:—
 Canton—Per *Kinsaku*, 27th Mar., 9 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Naitoung*,
 27th Mar., 9 A.M.
 Nantao—Per *Taichun*, 27th Mar., 9 A.M.
 Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 27th Mar., 9 A.M.
 Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 27th Mar., 9 A.M.
 Moji, Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Nippon*,
 28th Mar., 11 A.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Suezui*, 28th
 Mar., 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per *Hueningshan*, 28th Mar., 11.15 P.M.
 Amoy, Manila Cebu and Iloilo—Per *Chenian*,
 28th Mar., 3 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per *Chiuyuen*, 28th Mar., 3 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per *Antenor*, 28th Mar., 3 P.M.
 Amoy and Man lai—Per *Yuenzung*, 28th Mar.,
 3 P.M.
 Amoy and Manila—Per *Perla*, 28th Mar.,
 4 P.M.
 Amoy—Per *Hong Wan I*, 28th Mar., 4 P.M.
 Nantao—Per *Taichun*, 28th Mar., 5 P.M.
 Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 28th Mar., 5 P.M.
 Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 28th Mar., 5 P.M.
 Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (H.C.) and
 Singapore—Per *Tremor*, 29th Mar., 11 A.M.
 Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Sui-
 sung*, 29th Mar., 2 P.M.
 Kobe—Per *Perla*, 29th Mar., 3 P.M.
 Europe & India, via Funicorn Pe
Preussen, 30th Mar., 10.45 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
 Victoria and Vancouver, H.C.—Per *Empress
 of China*, 30th Mar., 10.45 A.M.
 Manila—Per *Loongsung*, 30th Mar., 3 P.M.
 Manila—Per *Rubi*, 2nd April, 9 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe Yokohama Hon-
 olulu and San Francisco—Per *Chimu*, 6th April.

Outward—20th February—Franky 24th
February—Benides, 25th March—Caithness
Phlyfar, 4th March—Astenio, Raulwar
Oopock, Evande, L. Cragoswall, 8th March
Sikh, Hainrich, Formosa, Jeteric, Prinz Jason
12th March—Achilles, Wureburg, Margui
Bachussem, Andio, Louis Trader, 16th March
—Kelpin, Armenta, St. Jervin, Standard
Maria, Kild, 18th March—Vorneer Preis
hau, 22nd March—Hysan, Oldenburg, Nei
Dornoch, Orange, Palermo, Thyra, 25th March
—Strassburg, Arragon, Palma, Schweiz.

Homeward—9th February—Nurnberg, 12th
February—Bayeri, 20th February—Flin
shire, Polynestien, 21th February—Rasely, 4th
March—Hudson, 12th March—Denbighshire
Annon, 16th March—Glenducky, Glenishie

KING EDWARD.	
Baker, Dr. C. J.	Muella, Ed. (Consul for Peru)
Brown, Mrs. S. E.	Moutagnier, H. F.
Brown, Kensett	Ough, Mr. & Mrs. A. H.
Carter, H. B.	Rove, Mr. & Mrs. T. J.
Daves, Mr. and Mrs. A.	Rothenberg, E.
Eijslaar, A.	N. Schneeloch, R. H.
Jurbaanse, Capt.	Stephens, Mr. & Mrs.
Van W.	M. J. D.
Kent, R. A., Lt.-Col. F.	Taint, Mr. and Mrs. M. P.
Keller, Mrs.	Tidy, Miss
Keller, Capt. Charles	Truman, R. N.
Kent, Mrs. F. E.	Tulloch, General Sir.
Lucas, H. F.	Vaughan, H. S.
Luckock, A. M.	Wharton, J. R.
Mackay, Miss E.	
Monopon, Mrs. E. I.	

Vessels	From	Agents	Dues
Athenian	Japan	C. P. R. Co	Mar.
Prussen	Japan	M. & Co.,	Mar.
Lightning	Singapore.	D. S. & Co.	Mar.
Glenamoy	Singapore.	McG. & G. Mar.	
Doric	San F'cisco	P. M. & Co	April
Hangsang	Singapore.	J. M. & Co.	April
Indravelli	Portland ..	P. & A. ...	April
E. of India	Vancouver.	C. P. R. Co	April
Siberia	San F'cisco	P. M. & Co	April

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